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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DATA COMMUNICATIONS CAPABLE OF

AUTOMATICALLY SENDING A MAINTENACE REQUEST

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Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby requests an extension of time of one month for responding to the final Office Action issued April 30, 2007 by the Patent Office in connection with this application.

Enclosed is a check for the \$120.00 statutory extension fee for filing a response within the first month pursuant to \$1.136(a) by other than a small entity.

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Respectfully submitted,

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